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2. limited in his own availability for penel work to the first two weeks in June, selected June 4 and 5 for meeting days to consider recommissance operations. The meeting would take into account agenda items to be prepared by Massrs.

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conference would be limited to briefings and general discussions concerning the topics, to be followed by a single-day meeting the subsequent week which would result in a single report to the DCI. The panel will concern itself with only photographic reconneissance operations and will not touch upon SIGINT activities. It will briefly consider aircraft and drone programs now active or programmed, but the bulk of its attention will be devoted to the analysis of present satellite systems, their growth potential and possible follow-on satellites. Recommendations from the Panel will suggest systems to be researched as well as modifications to existing ones. The Fanel will also consider stabilization problems of satellite systems which will permit direct readout, even at a low resolution, and also consider other systems proposals such as the United Aircraft Corporation inertial guidance system within a satellite. In other

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words, all satellite photographic proposals will be considered as well as a designation of specific areas in which further endsavors should be made.

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